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is Section 37...Chapter 37. If we do not return, potentially, this bill goes on, we've lost an opportunity for us to make other changes in the future. So I think this is a opportunity for us to do two things. One, obviously, I would appreciate and encourage you to support the motion to return, the adoption of AM1033. In the event of the time between that and the next time it would be scheduled for Final Reading, potentially, we would have another amendment. I'm willing to do that. I think that's reasonable. It's not unusual what we're trying to accomplish here. I think it's fair. Senator Schimek did have a question for me and I'll answer that. When you compare what the amendment is to the bill, specifically LB 348, which was my original bill, there is no fiscal note in the negative. The positive side of that is, is that individuals who would be responsible for taking these courses would pay the fee for them to be eligible to go through the course. So it's not a cost to the state. There's also a partnership with the Coast Guard on this as well, as far as some of the funding for the boating education. I think this is a fair compromise. I think this is a reasonable approach. I would encourage your green light on the motion to return, your green light on AM1033, and then, as we continue on throughout the course of this session, if there are other concerns that we can resolve between the time of now and the time that LB 305 would come up for Final Reading, I'm willing to work with you, Senator Hudkins is willing to work with you, Senator Wehrbein as well. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Erdman. You've heard the closing on the motion to return. The question before the body is, shall LB 305 be returned to Select File for a specific amendment? All in favor of that motion vote aye, opposed nay. We're voting on the motion to return LB 305 to Select File for a specific amendment. Have you all voted who care to? Record please, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 29 ayes, 10 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to return the bill.

SENATOR CUDABACK: The motion to return was successful. Senator Erdman, to open on...Mr. Clerk, do you want to read the amendment?